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Ms. Janet A. Smith Chief, Central Services Division and Records Officer Library of Congress Washington, D.C. 20540

Dear Ms. Smith:

This is in response to your letter dated 22 May 1986 asking us to review a sampling of classified material for declassification.

Our Classification Review Office reviewed your material described as progress reports from Mr. Manuel Sanchez, a foreign representative of the Library of Congress, who was involved in the acquisition of foreign publications in Algeria, Spain, Portugal, France, and Italy during World War II, April 1943-May 1945. The Secret classification of these documents appears to be based on the fact that Mr. Sanchez's assignment also involved some secret work on behalf of other government agencies, as alluded to in the reports. There are references to secret work for the military intelligence unit to which he was attached for support purposes while in Italy, and references to work on behalf of OSS.

We found no CIA/OSS equities in this sampling of material other than passing references to procuring material for OSS. We have no objection to its declassification. However, we would like the opportunity to review any remaining Sanchez reports for possible OSS information that may be classified, including names of OSS personnel that have not been acknowledged. In one instance, a secret detachment was mentioned in one of the reports. May we review that detachment if it can be located.



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Any material that may have OSS equities or any material that you wish us to review, please forward to:

> Lee S. Strickland Information and Privacy Coordinator Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Overall, most references to secret work involve the Military Information Division (MID). We do not believe that any of the references require continued protection, however, we defer to the Department of Defense.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please call me on

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Sincerely,

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